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Fiscal Year 2003-04 Budget Adopted

The Mountain View City Council adopted a \$161 million Fiscal Year (FY) 2003-04 budget at its June 10 meeting. The adopted budget is fully balanced and does not rely on one-time revenues or short-term expenditure savings or the use of reserve balances, to fund the City's ongoing operations.

The FY 2003-04 budget reflects the impacts of the continuing slowdown in the local, State and national economies and the City's efforts to maintain essential services, maximize administrative efficiencies while at the same time minimizing direct service impacts to the public.

The General Fund portion of the City's budget was approved at \$68.5 million—a \$4 million reduction from last year's budget and includes the elimination of 42.5 full-time equivalent positions impacting all City departments. The General Fund pays for the majority of general City services such as police and fire, parks and recreation, library, public works, community development and planning services.

A \$2.5 million Economic Stabilization Contingency is also included in the FY 2003-04 budget to assist in absorbing any additional revenue declines and the negative fiscal impacts resulting from the adoption of the State budget.

This year's budget also provides \$22.9 million in funding for a few high priority capital improvement projects and important maintenance projects aimed at protecting the City's investment in its infrastructure. Some of the projects include:

- Senior Center Design and Construction
- Stevens Creek Trail Pedestrian Over Crossing at Moffett Boulevard
- Miramonte Reservoir Construction
- Street Maintenance Program
- Shoreline Sailing Lake Water Supply Alternatives
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utility costs, the new budget includes adjustments in utility services rates. (See below.)

For more information, call the Finance and Administrative Services Department at (650) 903-6316. [V](#)

UTILITY RATES FOR FY 2003-04

New rates for City utility services went into effect on July 1. The average monthly increase for a single-family home will be approximately \$2.78. Even with the rate increases, the City's average monthly utility bill for a single-family home compares favorably with surrounding communities.

Water

Water rates are increasing by 6 percent, due largely to higher prices charged by wholesale providers of water. One of the City's two main providers, the San Francisco Water Department (SFWD), increased rates by 25 percent to pay for the costs associated with the significant improvements it needs to make to its Hetch-Hetchy water system to improve the safety and reliability of the system. SFWD will likely increase rates again next year by another 16 percent. To minimize the impact of rate increases on water customers, the City cut operating costs by \$200,000 and sought other operating efficiencies to avoid a larger rate increase.



Sewer

Sewer rates will increase by 8 percent this year. Previously, the amount of sewer fees collected only covered a portion of the annual operating and maintenance costs of collecting and treating the City's wastewater. The rate increase is intended to help bring revenues in line with expenditures in order to keep this utility fund fiscally stable.

Refuse/Recycling

Refuse rates will increase by 2 percent this year to pay for higher costs associated with the City's contract with Foothill Disposal for refuse collection and the cost of implementing automated residential refuse and recycling collection, including the delivery of new refuse and recycling totes with larger volume capacity than the cans and bins currently available to Mountain View residents.

The new recycling carts will provide customers with several new conveniences and benefits. The carts will have an internal divider separating mixed paper and newspaper from metal cans, glass bottles and plastic bottles. Keeping recyclables separated will result in better resale values.

Both the new refuse and recycling carts are on wheels making it easier to get them to the curb for pick up. The carts will take up less space at the curb and have lids that will prevent wind and animals from scattering papers and keep recyclables dry.

For more information, call the Finance and Administrative Services Department at (650) 903-6316.

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CITY MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Mountain View provides quality services and facilities that meet the needs of a caring and diverse community in a financially responsible manner.



Application for New Medical Facility on Emporium Site

An application has been submitted to the City to allow for the development of a medical facility on the land once occupied by the Emporium Department Store at El Camino Real and Highway 85. The Camino Medical Group Division of the Palo Alto Medical Group is applying to construct the project.

The Foundation is proposing a large medical office and treatment facility of 250,000-275,000 sq. ft. The project would require amending the current Americana Precise Plan to include the development of medical offices, and as well as various changes to the development standards for the property, such as size, height, location and design specifications.

The Council has authorized staff to begin analyzing the Foundation's application for amendments to the zoning for the site. The analysis will include study of various environmental impacts, including traffic and parking impacts. The analysis will also examine what size and design of the facility would best fit this highly visible corner in Mountain View.

Review of the Foundation's proposal is expected to take from 9 to 12 months. There will be several opportunities for public input, beginning with meetings to determine what types of environmental and other concerns should be included in the study.

The City's evaluation of the proposed zoning changes will conclude with public hearings by the Environmental Planning Commission and the City Council. Notices for the meetings will be sent to all property owners within approximately 300 feet of the site. Other interested parties are invited to request notices by emailing the Community Development Department at community.dev@ci.mtnview.ca.us. You may also send a request by regular mail to:

Community Development Department, City of Mountain View, PO Box 7540, Mountain View, CA 94039-7540

For more information, call the Community Development Department at (650) 903-6306. 

Final Phase of Evelyn Avenue Improvements Underway

Phase III improvements to Evelyn Avenue (between Pioneer Way and Bernardo Avenue) are underway and are scheduled for completion in May 2004. This is the final phase of a project to improve Evelyn Avenue between downtown and the Sunnyvale border.



The City Council awarded a \$3.8 million construction contract for this project in March. The improvements include widening the street to accommodate two lanes of traffic and a bike lane in each direction, storm drainage improvements, new curbs, gutters, sidewalks, streetlights, traffic signals, trees and a median island. Landscaping of most of the median island is being deferred until the City's financial condition improves.

For more information, the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 

Community School of Music and Arts Gets New Home

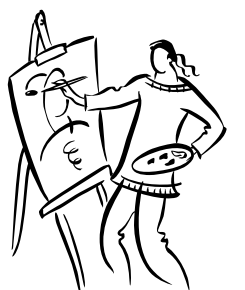
Construction continues on a new campus for the Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA). The new facility is being built on City-owned land in the San Antonio Loop area, located near the intersection of San Antonio Road and California Street.



The City has entered into a 55-year lease agreement with CSMA and will receive lease revenue for use of the property. The new building will house a recital hall, individual music practice rooms, classrooms for dance, music and arts, and office space. An auditorium is also planned, but only the exterior shell will be built at this time. Work on the project is expected to be completed later this year.

CSMA offers music lessons and classes, after school visual arts classes, and summer camps for students. It also provides concerts, exhibits and community outreach events.

For more information about CSMA, call (650) 961-0342. 



Interim Senior Center Opens This Fall

An interim Senior Center will open this fall as the City prepares to build a new permanent Senior Center. The interim facility will be located on the same site as the current Senior Center at 266 Escuela Avenue. It will be a modular structure with approximately 16,000 sq. ft. of space.

All existing senior programs will continue, including the noontime senior nutrition program. The City expects to use the interim facility for about three years, while the new Senior Center building is designed and constructed.

The old Senior Center building is being replaced because of significant seismic and mechanical system problems. Construction of the new facility is expected to begin in spring 2005 and be completed by fall 2006.

Plans for the new, permanent facility call for a 25,000 sq. ft. building. Plans also include expansion opportunities and space for a senior day health care facility adjacent to the Senior Center.

Temporary Garden Opened

The senior garden has been relocated to the nearby Hetch-Hetchy right-of-way, also located on Escuela Avenue. All seniors who previously had gardens at the Senior Center now have space at the new, temporary garden. A permanent garden is expected to open in spring 2007, following completion of the new Senior Center facility.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 




City Reaches Agreement for Senior Day Health Care Facility

The City has entered into an agreement with Avenidas, a nonprofit organization providing senior services, to build a senior day health care facility. The agreement calls for Avenidas to construct its own building, and operate and maintain the facility under a 40-year lease. All operating costs for the program will be borne by Avenidas.

The new facility will be built on the same site as the new Mountain View Senior Center at 266 Escuela Avenue. Under the agreement, the new senior day health care facility will complement the new Senior Center building architecturally, and provide services that complement Senior Center programs.

Avenidas will provide daytime care for seniors who require assistance, including lunches, nutritious snacks, arts and crafts programs, occupational and physical therapy, and other appropriate activities.


For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 

New Advisory Group on Environmental Cleanup Formed

A new Community Advisory Group (CAG) was formed this spring to provide public input into Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) decisions regarding the cleanup of several contaminated sites in Mountain View. The CAG is made up of community members and local business members, as well as a member of the Mountain View City Council, a City staff member and others. The new group is intended to create a direct line of communication to the EPA.

Currently, the EPA is assessing potential indoor air quality contamination in Mountain View on sites at the former GTE Government Systems and Jasco Chemical Corporation sites, Moffett Federal Airfield and a site bordered by Ellis Street and Middlefield and Whisman Roads. The contamination is related to the presence of the solvent trichloroethene in shallow groundwater.

The CAG meets monthly in order to hear updates from the EPA regarding progress at each site, and to allow the group members to provide public input.

CAG meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact David Cooper, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator, at (415) 972-3237 or cooper.david@epa.gov. 

Google Expands in Mountain View

Google, the internationally-known internet search engine company, is expanding the size of its business operations in Mountain View. The company will be subleasing space from SGI and consolidating its operations in a campus on City-owned land located on Charleston Road between Permanente Creek and the award-winning Charleston Park.

Google was considering moving out of Mountain View, but City officials were successful in their efforts to not only keep the company in Mountain View, but to have Google expand its presence here as well.

In order to make room for Google at the Charleston Road campus, SGI will be relocating and consolidating its operations into facilities on another City-owned land site on Crittenden Lane adjacent to Shoreline at Mountain View Park.

For more information, contact the Community Development Department at (650) 903-6306. 



Teen Zone Opens at the Library

The Teen Zone, an area in the Mountain View Public Library designed specially for young people, is now open on the first floor of the Library at 585 Franklin Street.

The Library's Teen Advisory Group came up with the original idea for the Teen Zone and worked closely with Library staff throughout 2002 to develop the project. The Teen Zone features many of the Group's suggestions, including a rotating display of teen art, a collection of textbooks donated by local schools for use in the Library, and a meeting space where teens can talk and work together on school projects.

An expanded collection of magazines, music CDs, DVDs, CD ROMs and popular books of interest to teens is also available in the Teen Zone.

The Teen Zone is reserved exclusively for teens during non-school hours and includes comfortable seating, study tables and computers.

The project was funded by the City of Mountain View, with contributions from the Friends of the Mountain View Library, and corporate and private donations.

For more information about teen services at the Library, call (650) 903-6337.

Reading Day Set for November 15

Mountain View Public Library's Reading Day is slated for Saturday, November 15 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Library, located at 585 Franklin Street.

Reading Day features community leaders, librarians, students and Readeroo, the Library's mascot, reading aloud to children in English, Chinese and Spanish at special reading stations throughout the Library.

In addition, there will be two special puppet shows and children will be invited to create reading-related crafts to take home. All events are free of charge.

A book fair to benefit the Mountain View Library Foundation will run in conjunction with Reading Day, offering discounted popular books and gifts. Refreshments will be available for sale in back of the Library.

For more information about Reading Day, call the Library at (650) 903-6337.




Stevens Creek Trail Update



The City is in the process of completing the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the final section of the Stevens Creek Trail in Mountain View. Reach 4, Segment 2 will be 1.7 miles long and run from Yuba Drive to Mountain View High School, crossing both El Camino Real and Highway 85.

Stevens Creek Trail is a bike and pedestrian trail that connects many of the City's parks and neighborhoods. The Trail is used by more than 1,000 people each day for recreation and commuting. Currently, trail users can travel from Shoreline at Mountain View Park along the Trail to the El Camino Real area.

Based on the comments that were received after the draft EIR was released last year, potential revisions were developed to the proposed alignment of the Trail. This fall, staff will meet with permitting agencies, organizations and the public to review the potential revisions. A final EIR is expected by the end of this year and will be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission. The final EIR is expected to go to the City Council for final action in early 2004.

For more information about the Stevens Creek Trail, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 

QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS?

Mountain View Citygram

How are we doing? Feedback from you is very important to us. Curious about a City service or program? Have an idea you'd like to share? Know a City employee who did a particularly good job? The City Manager's Office would like to hear from you. Send your remarks on a Citygram and you will receive a prompt response from the appropriate City department.

Thank you for your comments.

Send your comments to the Mountain View City Manager's Office, Post Office Box 7540, Mountain View, CA 94039

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For City Staff use:

CONNECTING *with your* COMMUNITY

THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW'S VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROGRAM GIVES YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO TURN YOUR SPECIAL TALENTS AND ABILITIES INTO POSITIVE ACTION. THE VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROGRAM IS COMMITTED TO CITIZEN PARTICIPATION BY MATCHING PEOPLE WITH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL RAE BLASQUEZ, COORDINATOR OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES, AT (650) 903-6607.

Current Volunteer Opportunities

Fire Department—CERT Team—Volunteers are needed to assist with coordinating and conducting Community Emergency Response Team training for the community. Volunteers are also needed to assist with creating display boards and organizing public education materials. For more information, call (650) 903-6607.

Fire Department—Amateur Radio Operators—Volunteers are needed to assist during disasters. Amateur operators must have their own radios. For more information, call Lynn Brown at (650) 903-6825.

Police Department—HAPP Team—The Police Department's Handicapped Area Parking Patrol (HAPP) team needs volunteers. Help educate the public about handicapped parking regulations and help enforce them. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. A training course is provided. Team members work in pairs. For more information, contact Community Service Officer Jim Bennett at (650) 903-6357.

Police Department—Home Security Inspections volunteers are needed to assist with home security inspections. Training is provided. Mobile Radar Trailer volunteers are needed to deploy radar trailers throughout the community. Training is provided. Office Assistant and Interpreter volunteers (all languages) are needed in a variety of program areas. For more information, contact Community Service Officer Jim Bennett at (650) 903-6357.

Center for the Performing Arts—Ushers—Volunteers are needed to assist patrons during performances at the Center. The next two-session usher training will be Monday, September 8 and September 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mainstage at the Center. Volunteers must attend both sessions. No pre-registration is required. For more information, call Jennifer Stokely at (650) 903-6568 or e-mail jennifer.stokely@ci.mtnview.ca.us.

Center for the Performing Arts—Office Assistant—A volunteer is needed 10 hours a week for word processing, spreadsheet and data entry, filing and general office tasks. For more information, call (650) 903-6568.

Shoreline—Volunteer Rangers are needed to work at the Gatehouse to greet visitors, provide information and monitor activities. Patrol Rangers are needed for both Shoreline and Stevens Creek Trail to provide visitor information, help educate the public about trail policies and keep the trails free of litter. All volunteer Rangers are supplied with an information manual, uniform and training. The Trail Rangers are supplied with a two-way radio for emergencies. All opportunities are available 7-days-a-week. Hours are flexible. The Gatehouse is staffed in three-hour shifts. Volunteers must be at least 18-years old. For more information, call Ginny Kaminski at (650) 903-6073 or email ginny.kaminski@ci.mtnview.ca.us.

These are just a few ways that you can get involved. If you have an idea or special skill or talent to offer, call the Volunteer Program. Contact Coordinator of Volunteer Services Rae Blasquez today at (650) 903-6607.

Rengstorff House and Garden Docents—Volunteers are needed at the City's historic Rengstorff House. Education Docents have the opportunity to reminisce about the past while conducting tours of the restored house. The House is open on Sundays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm. Staffing is in three-hour shifts. Garden docents are needed to work in the gardens and provide flower arrangements for the House. Work hours are flexible. For more information, call Ginny Kaminski at (650) 903-6073 or email ginny.kaminski@ci.mtnview.ca.us.

Community Outreach Program—Volunteers who are bilingual in English and Russian, Chinese or Spanish are needed to assist staff with providing information about City services at community fairs and events. Events occur on weekends with a 2 to 4 hour commitment. Training is provided and event dates are flexible. For more information, call (650) 903-6607.

Library—SOS—Special Outreach Volunteers—The Library is seeking volunteers to work in the SOS program. Volunteers select and deliver books to homebound library patrons. Days and hours are flexible and volunteers must have car insurance. Call at the Volunteer Services Office at (650) 903-6607.

Library—Children's Services—Volunteers are needed to help prepare material for various children's programs and for miscellaneous tasks, including shelving magazines and media. For more information, contact Maynard Martinez at (650) 526-7043 or email maynard.martinez@ci.mtnview.ca.us

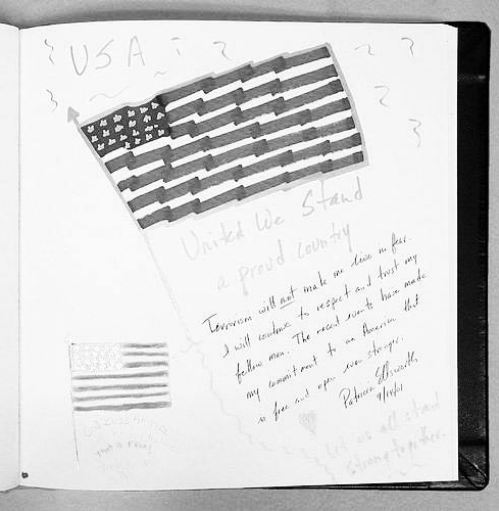


Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Halloween Family—Special Event—Volunteers are needed to assist with carnival booths, arts and crafts, entertainment, the costume parade, food booths, decorations and more. The event date is Sunday, October 26, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. at Rengstorff Park. Call the Volunteer Services Office at (650) 903-6607.

Holiday Tree Lighting—Special Event—Volunteers are needed for the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting at the Civic Center Plaza on Monday, December 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Help with refreshments, Santa pictures, decorations and crowd monitoring. Call the Volunteer Services Office at (650) 903-6607.

Smithsonian Accepts September 11 Community Remembrance Book



The Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History has accepted the City of Mountain View's September 11 Community Remembrance Book into its permanent collection. The book contains hundreds of written messages by community members, along with drawings from young people, that reflect the community's efforts to cope with the September 11 tragedies. Portions of the Book can be viewed by visiting the Smithsonian Institution's website at: <http://www.americanhistory.si.edu/september11/collection/record.asp?ID=157>

Computer History Museum Opens in Mountain View

Mountain View is the new permanent location for the Computer History Museum, the home of approximately 5,000 computer artifacts. The Museum was initially created in Boston, but began moving its collection to the Silicon Valley in the 1990s. Recently, the Museum purchased a 119,000 sq. ft. building at the corner of La Avenida and Shoreline Boulevard as its permanent facility.



The Museum, which opened in June, was looking for a Silicon Valley location because of the role this area has played in the development of computers. Mountain View has played an important role in computing history and the creation of the Silicon Valley. Mountain View was the birthplace of the first silicon device research and manufacturing company, the company that patented the first integrated circuit and, over the years, many of the most important high tech pioneering companies had a presence in Mountain View.

The Museum's collection includes a portion of the world's first electronic digital computer built in 1945, as well as one of the world's first personal computers. The Museum's current exhibit, called Visible Storage, showcases more than 400 artifacts that chronicle the history of computing, beginning with early wood calculators. The exhibit also includes the ENIGMA machine used by the Germans to send encrypted messages during World War II. An example of the first videogame machine is also on display.

Public tours of the current exhibit are available Monday through Friday at 1:00 pm, and the first and third Saturday of each month at 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm.

For more information, access the Computer History Museum website at www.computerhistory.org.

New Reservoir Proposed for Graham Middle School Site

The City Council is moving forward with efforts to build a new 4-8 million gallon reservoir beneath the playing fields at Graham Middle School. This summer, the Council authorized staff to enter into agreements with the Mountain View-Whisman School District and to issue a request for proposals for a design of the project. The project will include a reservoir, pump station, well, and improved playing fields.

Under the reservoir plan, the City will construct and maintain the completely buried reservoir, while also reconstructing and caring for the school playing fields that will be located above the reservoir.

The project will provide additional water storage, improved playing fields and maintenance for the School District, and after-hour sports fields that can be used by the community.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.

Council OKs Plan to Expand Miramonte Reservoir

The City has completed all of the required environmental studies and documents to begin work on expanding the Miramonte Reservoir. The expansion will increase the municipal water storage capacity of the current 3-acre site by constructing a new 2.3 million gallon reservoir behind the existing reservoir. The new reservoir is intended to help ensure an adequate and sustained supply of water. It will provide increased storage capacity for peak demand, as well as water supplies for emergencies and fire fighting use.

Staff is currently working on the design of the new reservoir. Construction is expected to begin in summer 2004 and be completed in fall 2005.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.



Improvements Scheduled for Three City Playgrounds

The playgrounds at San Veron, Rex Manor and Bubb Parks will be renovated this fiscal year as part of a multi-year plan to improve the City's playgrounds. Contractors specializing in playground design and play equipment have been hired to provide plans for the improvements.

As part of the renovation process, neighborhood residents in the area of each of the parks are participating in planning meetings to help review proposed designs, and offer ideas and suggestions.

The improvements will also help the parks meet Consumer Product Safety Commission safety guidelines and Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.

For more information about the park renovation project, call the Community Services Department at (650) 903-6331.

Springer Playfield Renovated

The playfield at Springer School, 205 Covington Road in Los Altos, was recently renovated by a joint project of the City of Mountain View and the Los Altos School District.

The improvements included a new irrigation system, refurbishing the pedestrian pathway from Cuesta Drive to the school site, the planting of 12 redwood trees and the renovation of the turf area.

The City contributed \$210,000 toward the \$285,000 needed for the project. In exchange for the City's participation in the project, the community will have access to the playfield for park and recreation purposes. The City will also provide limited landscape maintenance services for the field.

For more information, call the Community Services Department at (650) 903-6331.

New Disinfectant Planned for City Water:

Spotlight On Aquarium Owners



The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) will convert its drinking water disinfectant from chlorine to chloramine in late fall 2003. The conversion will involve most water users in Mountain View and most customers will not notice the change. If you reside or work in the area bounded by Cuesta Drive to the south and extending north, east and west to City boundaries, your water will be disinfected by chloramine after the SFPUC conversion. Most areas to the south of Cuesta Drive are served by the Santa Clara Valley Water District, which already supplies chloraminated water. A small percentage of City customers are served by the California Water Service Company, which also provides chloraminated water.

The conversion will help meet stricter State and Federal regulations, and ensure high quality drinking water for Mountain View residences and businesses. To help residents better understand issues related to drinking water, a general information brochure entitled 'Making Great Water Better' is enclosed in this issue of *The View*.

Although people and animals can safely drink chloraminated water, chloramine, like chlorine, must be removed or neutralized in water for special users. These users include owners of fish and amphibian pets, kidney dialysis patients, and some business and industrial customers. This issue of *The View* highlights steps aquarium and pond water users should take to ensure the safety of their pets.

Chloramine is toxic to both freshwater and salt-water fish, so it must be removed from water that is used by fish, amphibians and reptiles. Aquarium and pond supply professionals recommend using a combination of treatment products that are used to remove ammonia and chlorine to remove chloramine. Ask your supply professional for specifics concerning the correct chemicals and filters to use.

You cannot remove chloramine from drinking water by boiling it, letting it stand, or adding salt.

For more information about fish and chloramine, contact your local pet store or access www.sfbak.org, www.aquariacentral.com or www.oiclubsandiego.org.

You can learn more about chloramine by phone, on the web or by mail.

- For phone information, call the Mountain View Information Line at (650) 903-6543.
- To access information on the worldwide web, visit: better.sfwater.org or www.ci.mtnview.ca.us/citynews.chloramine.htm
- To receive chloramine fact sheets from the City, please complete the mail-in request form.

Improvements to Highway 101 Interchanges Proceed

Work on a \$142 million project by the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and Caltrans to make improvements to Highway 101 between Moffett Boulevard and Old Middlefield Way is proceeding on schedule. The project affects four major interchanges in Mountain View and is expected to be completed at the end of 2005.

The project will modify the existing transition ramp from northbound Route 85 to northbound U.S. 101 to include three ramps instead of just one. The project also includes new ramps at the Moffett Boulevard interchange; a new bridge and ramps at the Old Middlefield Way interchange; new ramps at the Shoreline Boulevard interchange; and new and additional ramps at the Route 85 interchange. A new City street connecting Pear Avenue and La Avenida, as well as extensive new landscaping, is also included in the project.

The City is working with the VTA to help mitigate the impacts of the construction on motorists and residents. The VTA will provide commuters and residents with construction updates through radio announcements, notices to affected businesses and property owners, roadway signs, and information on their web site at www.vta.org. Information is also available by calling the Mountain View Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.

City Offers Fair Housing and Tenant/Landlord Information Services

Fair Housing Services

Housing discrimination is prohibited by Federal and State law. If you suspect you've been denied housing due to discrimination, Project Sentinel, a local fair housing agency, may be able to help.

Project Sentinel can counsel you on fair housing rights, investigate your fair housing complaint, and explain your options. In addition, Project Sentinel will communicate with the owner or manager of the property, inform the owner or manager of the law, and if necessary, refer you to a fair housing attorney for legal assistance.

If you are a property owner or manager, Project Sentinel can explain your rights and responsibilities under Fair Housing law.

There is no charge for any of these services. Project Sentinel is funded by the City of Mountain View to provide fair housing services. Project Sentinel can be contacted by calling the following toll-free number: (888) F-A-I-R-H-O-U-(S-I-N-G) or (888) 324-7468.

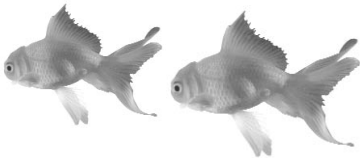
Tenant/Landlord Information

If you are a tenant or landlord, the City's Mediation Program, operated by Project Sentinel under contract with the City, may be of assistance to you. Although it does not provide legal advice, the program offers counseling regarding tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities under State law, and its volunteer mediators can help resolve disputes between tenants and landlords. All services are available to both tenants and landlords, and all services are free, neutral and confidential.

If you are a tenant and have questions such as how much you can be charged for a security deposit, how to notify the landlord of needed repairs, or other matters regarding your rental rights and responsibilities, the Mediation Program may be able to help. If you are a landlord and need information on matters such as the State law requirements for serving a termination notice, what can and cannot be done with a security deposit, and 3-day notice requirements, the Mediation Program may be able to help.

The Mediation Program can be reached by calling (650) 960-0495 or by e-mail at mediate4frank@aol.com.

CHLORAMINE FACT SHEET REQUEST FORM



Please send me the chloramine outreach materials checked below:

Fish Fact Sheet

☐ (in English) ☐ (in Spanish) ☐ (in Chinese)

Business Fact Sheet

☐ (in English) ☐ (in Spanish) ☐ (in Chinese)

Dialysis Fact Sheet

☐ (in English) ☐ (in Spanish) ☐ (in Chinese)

☐ **General Information Brochure**

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SEND IT TO:
Public Works Department, Chloramine Conversion,
231 Whisman Road, Mountain View, CA 94043

Calendar of events

September


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- 1 Labor Day holiday**
City offices closed.
- 2 City Council**, 6:30 pm, CC
- 4 Human Relations Commission**, 6:30 pm, PCR
- 10 Visual Arts Committee**, 6:00 pm, ACR
- Parks and Recreation Commission**, 7:00 pm, Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 12 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 13 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 15 Library Board**, 7:30 pm, Library Conference Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 16 City Council**, 6:30 pm, CC
- 17 Environmental Planning Commission**, 7:00 pm, CC
- 20 Home Composting Workshop**
10 am to 12:00 noon
Community Center
201 South Rengstorff Avenue
Call (408) 918-4640 to register.
- Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in Sunnyvale. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 24 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee**
6:30 pm, PCR
- 27 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in Santa Clara. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.

- 18 Home Composting Workshop**
10 am to 12 noon
Community Center
201 South Rengstorff Avenue
Call (408) 918-4640 to register.
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- Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in Sunnyvale. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 20 Library Board, 7:30 pm**, Library Conference Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 25 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** at a West Valley location. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 26 Halloween Festival**, 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm
Community Center, 201 S. Rengstorff
- 28 City Council**, 6:30 pm, CC
- 29 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee**, 6:30 pm, PCR



November

- 4 City Council**, 6:30 pm, CC (tentative)
- 5 Environmental Planning Commission**, 7:00 pm, CC
- 6 Human Relations Commission**, 6:30 pm, PCR
- 7 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 8 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.

- 11 Veteran's Day holiday**
City offices closed.
- 12 Visual Arts Committee**, 6:00 pm, ACR
- Parks and Recreation Commission**, 7:00 pm, Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 15 Reading Day**, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Mountain View Public Library
585 Franklin Street
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- Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in Sunnyvale. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 17 Library Board**, 7:30 pm, Library Conference Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 18 City Council**, 6:30 pm, CC
- 19 Environmental Planning Commission**, 7:00 pm, CC
- 21 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 22 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 27 Thanksgiving Day holiday**
City offices closed.
- 28 Thanksgiving Day holiday**
City offices closed.



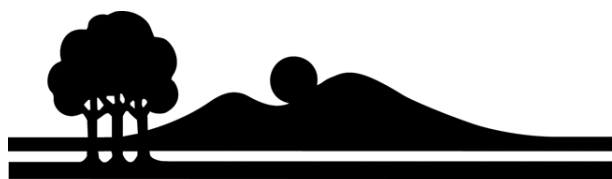
CC - Council Chambers, City Hall
PCR - Plaza Conference Room, City Hall
ACR - Atrium Conference Room, City Hall
All dates are subject to change. Contact the City Clerk's Office at (650) 903-6304 to confirm dates and times.

October

- 1 Environmental Planning Commission**, 7:00 pm, CC
- 7 Downtown Committee, 8:00 am**, City Attorney's Conference Room



- 8 Visual Arts Committee**, 6:00 pm, ACR
- Parks and Recreation Commission**, 7:00 pm, Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 10 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 11 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off** in San Jose. Call (408) 918-4640 for an appointment.
- 14 City Council**, 6:30 pm, CC
- 15 Environmental Planning Commission**, 7:00 pm, CC
- 17 Performing Arts Advisory Committee**
7:00 pm, Rehearsal Studio,
Center for the Performing Arts,
500 Castro Street



CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

CITY BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS

October 17, 2003 is the application deadline for Mountain View citizens wishing to serve on one of the following City board, commissions or committees:

LIBRARY BOARD (1 position)

(Meets on the third Monday evening of the month)

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING COMMISSION (2 positions)

(Meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month)

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION (1 position)

(Meets on the second Wednesday evening of the month)

DOWNTOWN COMMITTEE (4 positions)

(Meets on the first Tuesday morning of the month)

VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE (3 positions)

(Meets on the second Wednesday evening of the month)

There may be incumbents who wish to be reappointed.

The Board, Commissions and Committees serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council and are made up of volunteer members.

Appointments are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Call the City Clerk's Office at (650) 903-6304 for further information and applications.